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1800.

With this Gent. we conclude our  
for the present year.

~~Course of Lectures~~ [It has been the  
most extensive in its objects I have  
ever delivered upon the Institution of  
in this University.  
~~Residence~~ I have omitted no part  
of the Subjects ~~as far as~~ enumerated in  
our Syllabus, but the local diseases,  
and these must be obvious to you  
from the principles delivered in  
explaining the causes of general  
diseases.]

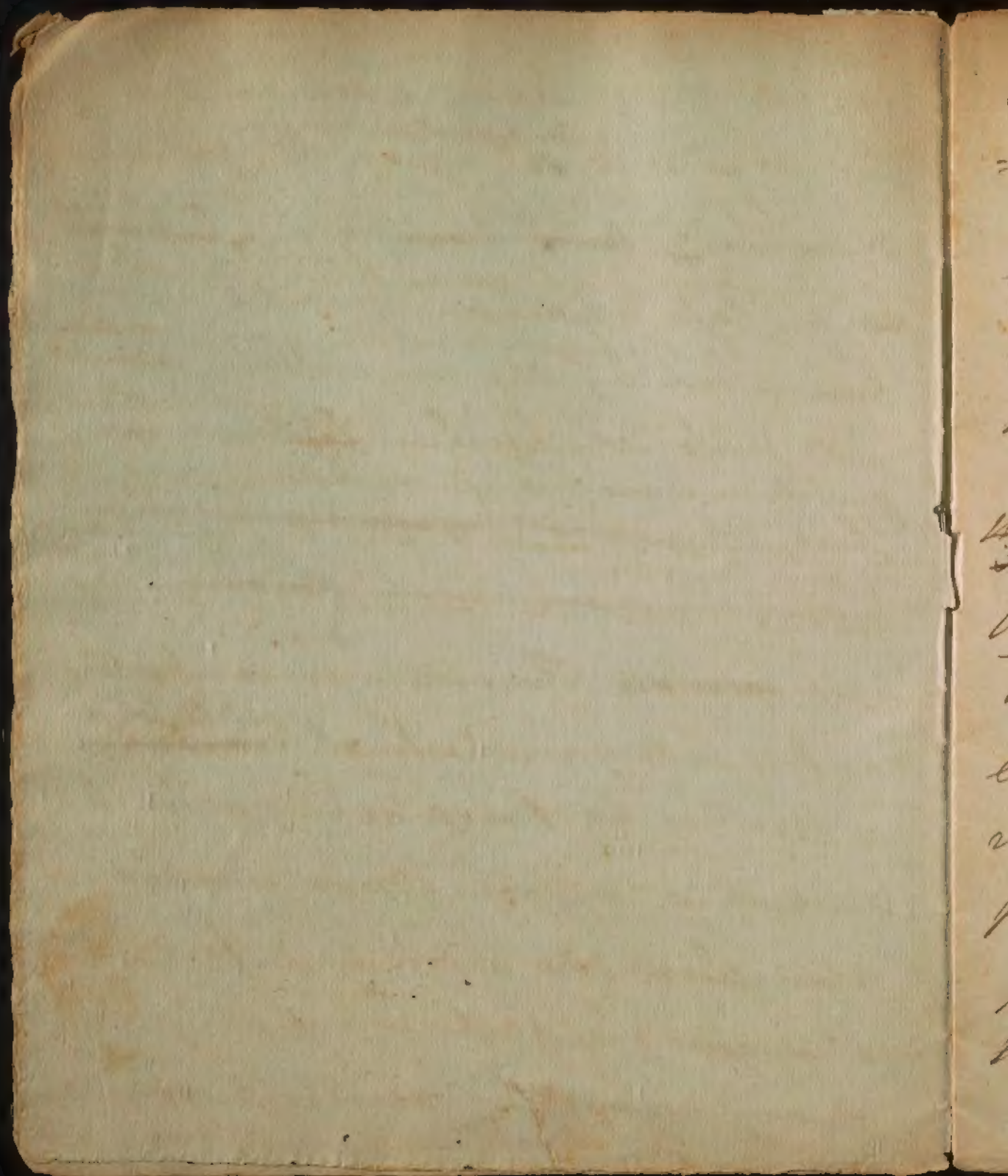
The last hour spent by a  
Professor with pupils who are to  
be separated from him, (perhaps

✓ never before this day - did I enter  
this room - but with pleasure, and



for ever) is generally a solomon One. I  
 but it ~~is~~ to be so <sup>in a peculiar manner</sup> upon the present  
 Occasion: <sup>have I met</sup> ~~for I have never listened~~  
 to a Class who have merited more  
 from me by the regularity, <sup>of this</sup> ~~and~~  
 and propriety of their Conduct <sup>than</sup> ~~in~~  
 you have done - since the commencement  
~~their Attendance upon the~~  
 of our course. -  
~~instruction given in this course. -~~

I ~~truly~~ Permit me to employ  
 the few moments which <sup>still bind</sup> ~~remain~~  
 us together as Preceptor & Pupils, by  
 suggesting to you the following short  
 Articles of Advice. They will be the  
 strongest proofs I can give you in  
 of my regard for your future interests



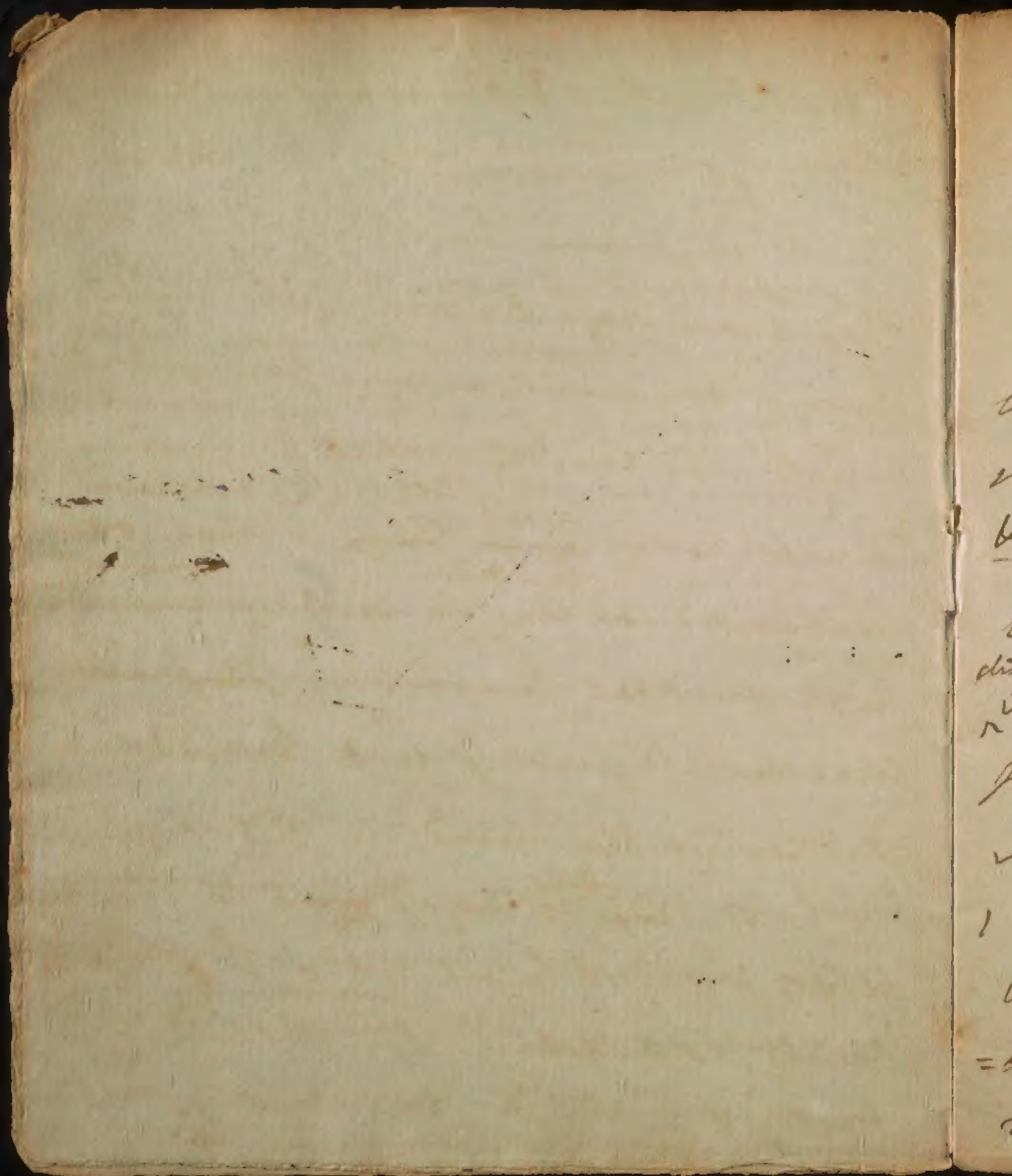


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& happiness in this our parting in-  
-terview. —

I let me advise you by no means  
to suppose that you have finished  
the study of <sup>medicine,</sup> ~~Physic~~, when you leave  
the University, & enter upon Practice.  
— However useful <sup>experience &</sup> observation may be,  
<sup>they</sup> ~~it~~ will not of ~~itself~~ <sup>themselves</sup> make a Physician.  
Reading must be connected with it.  
Appropriate therefore your first  
earnings to purchasing Books. Let  
no day pass without applying some  
part of it to study. Open a common  
place book as soon as possible for  
the recording of facts, <sup>& impressions,</sup> and of such ideas  
as or reflections as occur to you

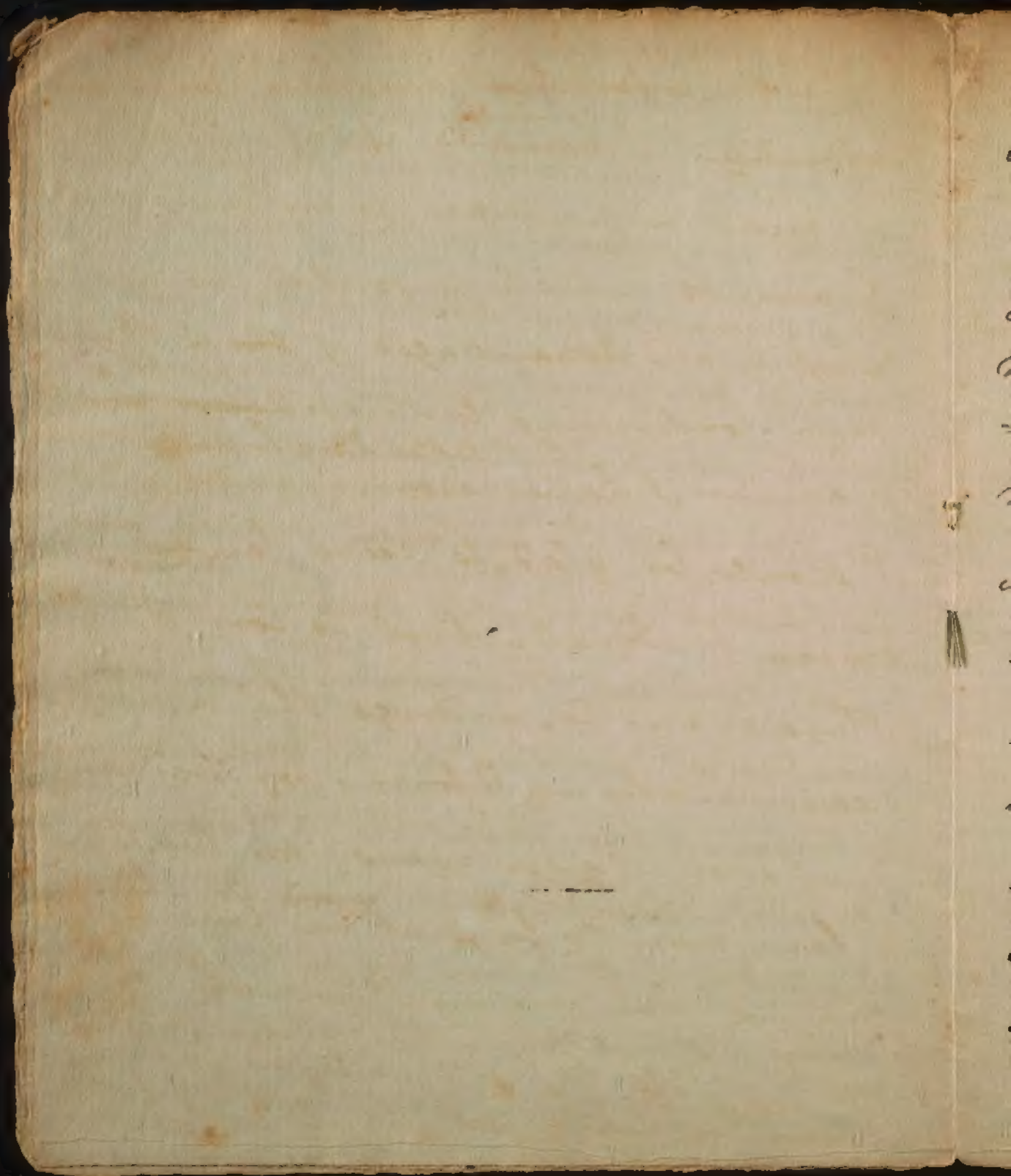




from reading & observation. You  
cannot conceive how much you  
will improve by this practice.

~~The man says Dr. Clark who will  
become eminent in any profession  
must "read much - think much  
& write much" - All these 3 exercises  
in order to produce perfection  
be blended together to produce perfection  
in a medical character. The~~

practice of recording facts operates in  
improving the mind in 3 ways.  
1 it produces <sup>close</sup> attention ~~and~~ to the  
objects, & events before us - 2<sup>ly</sup> it ex-  
ercises & strengthens the memory in  
recollecting them, and lastly it





facility 5 &  
creates ~~facility~~ <sup>facility</sup> Concetness, taste and  
~~facility~~ <sup>Composition</sup> in ~~writing~~, all of which are  
of great importance to a Physician.

I am so much impressed with the  
necessity and Advantages of ~~the~~ a Physi-  
-cian continuing to study ~~after~~ <sup>in the</sup>  
manner I have recommended; <sup>After they begin to practice</sup> that

I should be glad to see a law of in  
every medical School to compel  
Physicians to undergo the usual  
examinations & forms for Graduating  
Once every seven years. ~~as~~ <sup>where</sup> ~~was~~  
a law now to be put in force. I am  
satisfied that many Physicians who  
were judged to be qualified for a  
~~second~~ <sup>first</sup> degree, at would be ~~referred~~ <sup>referred</sup>

✓ It is said that the discovery of the  
 circulation of the blood by Dr Harvey was  
 not rec<sup>d</sup> by any of his contemporary  
 Physicians who were above 40 years  
 of age. This probably arose from the  
~~opification of topics of~~ <sup>contracted by</sup>  
~~topics acquired by their minds of~~  
 the neglect of reading, for <sup>Reading</sup> ~~this~~ by  
 creating a habit of seeing & believing  
<sup>in</sup> new things, <sup>keeps up such a supposition</sup>  
~~prepossesses the mind~~ <sup>as to prepare and enable it to</sup>  
~~for~~ admitting new truths upon all  
 Subjects.

It is not sufficient gent: to read the  
 same books, but once in your lives.  
 Tho such as ~~are~~ practical should be  
 read every four or five years. Many



After an ~~impartial~~ examination for a second degree. The present fluctuating & improving state of medicine renders <sup>reading & study</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>for a Physician</sup> more proper at this time, than ever it was before, it any age of the World. ✓

Let me advise you rigidly to adhere to your principles in medicine, and by no means to sacrifice them to the prejudices of your patients or your brethren in <sup>consultations</sup> ~~medicine~~. — ~~In this way~~  
Dr Sydenham lamented in the close of his life, the violence he had done to the dictates of his conscience, by consenting to the use of Remedies imposed upon him in consultations, which

every day

Things will strike you upon ~~reading~~  
the reading of <sup>practical authors</sup> these books which escaped  
notice  
you in the infant or contracted state  
of your knowledge. I once thought that  
I was master The most useful of these  
practical Authors are, Cullen - Van Swieten  
Huxham, - Cleghorn, Willan,  
Clark - and Jackson - Bell, Senac,  
Alibert, Mosely, Rivierus - and above  
all the immortal Sydenham. The medical  
Essays of ~~London~~ & Observations pub-  
lished by the different societies in London  
& the United States  
and the ~~work~~ Duncanson's excellent  
medical  
Commentaries lately reprinted by Wm  
Dobson should form a part of every  
practical medical library. As most  
of these books are to be had in this



were contrary to his judgement. Try  
 first to persuade your brethren by  
 gentleness and reasonings to adopt  
 your opinions & practice. If from  
 age they refuse to be won by the  
 former, or convinced by the latter,  
 instead of treating them, peaceably  
<sup>yourself</sup> separate from them. In this way  
 you will improve yourself. By  
 adopting this conduct Quaker I have  
~~done more good~~ <sup>done</sup> improved  
 myself more in my profession in <sup>five</sup> ~~the~~  
 7 years than I did in ~~any~~ <sup>the</sup> previous  
 20 ~~ten~~ years of my life. But I have  
 done more, - I have made known  
 to our citizens that <sup>there</sup> ~~are~~ is a difference

city, I hope none of you will leave  
it with a design to begin practice,  
without carrying them with <sup>you.</sup> Books  
of Speculation in medicine may be  
purchased with the increasing resources  
of your industry <sup>at a future day.</sup> ~~books~~ go to p 20 =

In your researches in medicine, do not <sup>lose</sup> rely exclusively upon <sup>any one of the usual sources of know-</sup> ~~observation, experiments~~  
Observation - experiment or Reasoning.

They are all subject to fallacy <sup>in other separate states.</sup> when dependant  
upon ~~any one of them~~. The senses are not more  
dependant on each other, and Reason <sup>is</sup> not  
more dependant upon the senses, and the senses  
upon Reason, than Observation & experiment.

and reasoning are dependant upon each other.  
Their Union is <sup>in</sup> ~~indispensably necessary~~ ~~to~~  
our <sup>in</sup> ~~significance~~ ~~above all others,~~ ~~correct and perfect each other,~~ & every  
Attempt to separate them <sup>in medicine</sup> is an Act of



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of opinions <sup>among our Physicians</sup> & practice in medicine.  
This has led them to inquire into  
what the difference consists — and  
to attend to the different issue of our  
Remedies. The consequence <sup>of this inquiry & attention</sup> has been,  
a decision in <sup>many</sup> ~~most~~ cases in favor  
of those Remedies. Hence the Physicians  
who <sup>were most</sup> opposed to the new practice have  
been compelled ~~by this~~ to adopt it.  
~~That~~ In vain have they attempted to  
elude the charge of being <sup>followers</sup> ~~imitators~~ of  
this new practice by varying the forms  
in which they administer, or apply  
the new remedies. In spite of all  
they can do, ~~this~~ in many cases  
they have become the Apothecaries of

